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EPA Delivers Water to Dimock Residents

Dimock, PA (WBNG Binghamton) The latest delivery of water to a few homeowners in Dimock's Carter Road area came from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

The agency finds reason to believe well contamination could be linked to gas drilling operations.

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A crowd gathers on Carter Road as a truck arrives to deliver water to four homes.

It comes after the EPA reviewed numerous water test samples and found contaminates it says are consistent with drilling for natural gas.

"We have a team of toxicologist at EPA that have reviewed and found some things at these particular four homes where we are delivering water today that could cause potential public health concerns," says Trish Taylor, Region 3 Coordinator for the EPA.

"I got a call late this morning from the DEP asking if they can come test my water. Isn't it a little late now to come all of a sudden to come and try to test my water. Where were you for the last over a year since you've been here to Dimock testing water, you have not, they have not been here to test the water," says Craig Sautner.

The Sautner family and three other families will continue to receive water everyday supplied by the EPA.

The agency will also conduct water testing at 61 other homes in the area where Cabot Oil and Gas has been operating for the past few years.

A member of the group Frack Action read a statement from Actor Mark Ruffalo, who founded a group called Water Defense.

"When it is a matter of water no win is a small one, I applaud the EPA for its decision to intervene I strongly urge the agency to also provide relief to the other residents who are still without water," Julia Walsh said as she read Ruffalo's statement to the crowd.

A group of families rejected an earlier settlement with Cabot after methane was found in wells.

"DEP has failed us miserably here. I was very naive in 2006 when I signed a lease and in 2007 and eight when I started calling DEP almost on a daily basis," says Victoria Switzer of Dimock.

"This represents a monumental failure on behalf of Governor Tom Corbett and secretary Michael Krancer of DEP The State of Pennsylvania has looked the other way time and time again, said Gas Land Documentarian , Josh Fox.

Cabot maintained it was not responsible for methane contamination but had delivered water up until agreements to do so

expired.

Cabot and Pennsylvania's DEP reached the settlement with 19 households with tainted wells.

Cabot agreed to distribute \$4.1 million to them and pay for an investigation into stray gas migration.

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